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Please advise us as to the status of the above-referenced patent application. A Reply Brief was filed on April 10, 2006, and we have not yet received a response from the USPTO.

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